

WHEREAS, The American National Red Cross is designated by the Congress of the United States in Public Law #4, 58th Congress, January 5, 1905, as the agency to provide certain services to this nation's Armed Forces, and to provide relief to the victims of disaster; and,

WHEREAS, The American National Red Cross annually trains thousands of South Dakota citizens in the skills of emergency first aid, swimming and lifesaving, as well as making available courses in Home Nursing and several others; and,

WHEREAS, Nearly 5,000 South Dakota citizens devote thousands of hours of their time as Red Cross Volunteers to effectively carry out wide-range programs and services in our State;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of March, 1976, as

RED CROSS MONTH

throughout the State of South Dakota and I urge that all individuals, throughout the State, take note of the tremendous efforts that the American National Red Cross has put forth on behalf of all of our citizens. I call upon each of you to contribute your support to the American National Red Cross and its South Dakota Chapters, by making contributions of time as Red Cross Volunteers and dollars either through a local United Fund, or Community Chest appeal or through Red Cross drives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 20th day of February, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Six

*R. F. Kneip*

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

*Lorna B. Herseth*

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

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